Combinations Of Network Elements Building The Path To Local Competition

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Three Overriding Criteria Needed For Local Competition To Flourish

- Rapid, Ubiquitous Coverage
- Clear Incentive for Market Entry
- **Innovative Products and Services**

Combinations Meet All Of These Criteria

Criteria For Competition

Rapid, Ubiquitous Coverage

Market Entry Incentive

Innovative Products & Services

Combinations Deliver

- Fuels aggressive deployment of local service
- Allows for service delivery to locations where facilities will take years to build out
- First step to facilities-based competition
- Creates new market opportunity to compete for access
- Eliminates unnecessary duplication of ILEC network
- Frees capital for efficient investment in Facilities
- Infuses market with unique products that deliver savings

Critical Elements Needed For Combinations To Be Successful

- Financial Incentives for Investment
 - TELRIC pricing for all UNEs and NRCs
 - No "glue" charges
- Standardized and Scalable OSS
- National Performance Standards, Penalties and Enforcement

Where The Right Conditions Exist, MCI Will Leverage Combinations For Market Entry

- Rapidly Enter Local Market on Broad Scale
 - Use combinations as path to fully competitive facilities-based local market
- Use MCI WorldCom Merger to Expand Local Presence
 - Reach 42M residential customers
 - Reach 70% of businesses
- Deliver consumers imaginative products and services

